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TURKEY BREEDER HENS ON FARMS JANUARY 1, 1955

Heavy breed turkey breeder hens on farms January 1, 1955 were estimated at 2,851,000 birds -- 5 percent more than a year earlier. Breeder hens of the light breeds were estimated at 583,000 -- a decrease of 16 percent, the Crop Reporting Board reported today.

Numbers of heavy breed hens on January 1 this year show increases in all parts of the country, except the South Atlantic, where there was a decrease of 5 percent from a year earlier. Increases were 13 percent in the West North Central, 7 percent in the East North Central, 6 percent in the South Central and 2 percent in the North Atlantic and the West. The 6 leading States with 60 percent of the heavy breeders in the country are, ranking in the order named, California, Texas, Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon and Iowa. These 6 States have 8 percent more heavy breeders than a year ago.

Breeder hens of the light breeds on January 1 show decreases from a year earlier in all parts of the country. Decreases were 1 percent in the South Central, 14 percent in the South Atlantic, 19 percent in the West, 22 percent in the North Atlantic, 24 percent in the East North Central and 25 percent in the West North Central States. The 6 leading States with two-thirds of the light breeder hens in the country are Texas, Virginia, Minnesota, California, Missouri and Ohio. These States had 16 percent fewer light breeders on January 1 than a year ago.

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TURKEYS: BREEDER HENS ON FARMS JANUARY 1

| State and Division | Heavy breeds | | | Light breeds | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|---------|--------------|------|---------|
| | 1955 as | | | 1955 as | | |
| | 1954 | 1955 | % of | 1954 | 1955 | % of |
| | | | 1954 | | | 1954 |
| | Thousands | | Percent | Thousands | | Percent |
| Maine | 7 | 6 | 86 | 10 | 7 | 70 |
| N.H. | 7 | 7 | 100 | --- | --- | --- |
| Vt. | 7 | 6 | 86 | --- | --- | --- |
| Mass. | 23 | 21 | 91 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| R.I. | 2 | 2 | 100 | 1 | --- | --- |
| Conn. | 11 | 11 | 100 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| N.Y. | 58 | 65 | 112 | 3 | 2 | 67 |
| N.J. | 15 | 18 | 120 | 4 | 4 | 100 |
| Pa. | 63 | 60 | 95 | 29 | 23 | 79 |
| N.Atl. | 193 | 196 | 102 | 49 | 38 | 78 |
| Ohio | 88 | 114 | 130 | 28 | 25 | 89 |
| Ind. | 25 | 19 | 76 | 10 | 5 | 50 |
| Ill. | 42 | 42 | 100 | 7 | 6 | 86 |
| Mich. | 77 | 76 | 99 | 16 | 10 | 62 |
| Wis. | 43 | 44 | 102 | 7 | 6 | 86 |
| E.N.Cent. | 275 | 295 | 107 | 68 | 52 | 76 |
| Minn. | 174 | 200 | 139 | 101 | 67 | 66 |
| Iowa | 109 | 115 | 106 | 5 | 5 | 100 |
| Mo. | 163 | 181 | 111 | 54 | 45 | 83 |
| N.Dak. | 13 | 11 | 85 | 2 | 2 | 100 |
| S.Dak. | 10 | 10 | 100 | 3 | 2 | 67 |
| Nebr. | 27 | 27 | 100 | 1 | 2 | 200 |
| Kans. | 86 | 81 | 94 | 9 | 9 | 100 |
| W.N.Cent. | 552 | 625 | 113 | 175 | 132 | 75 |
| Del. | 8 | 6 | 75 | 2 | 2 | 100 |
| Md. | 44 | 46 | 105 | 7 | 6 | 86 |
| Va. | 55 | 57 | 104 | 117 | 98 | 84 |
| W.Va. | 9 | 14 | 156 | 13 | 11 | 85 |
| N.C. | 35 | 33 | 94 | 3 | 3 | 100 |
| S.C. | 68 | 57 | 84 | 11 | 12 | 109 |
| Ga. | 35 | 26 | 74 | --- | --- | --- |
| Fla. | 15 | 16 | 107 | 5 | 4 | 80 |
| S.Atl. | 269 | 255 | 95 | 158 | 136 | 86 |
| Ky. | 32 | 30 | 94 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Tenn. | 14 | 13 | 93 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Ala. | 13 | 11 | 85 | 4 | 4 | 100 |
| Miss. | 12 | 11 | 92 | --- | --- | --- |
| Ark. | 19 | 12 | 63 | 16 | 13 | 81 |
| La. | 9 | 8 | 89 | --- | --- | --- |
| Okla. | 47 | 55 | 117 | 10 | 6 | 60 |
| Texas | 358 | 393 | 110 | 102 | 108 | 106 |
| S.Cent. | 504 | 533 | 106 | 134 | 133 | 99 |
| Mont. | 6 | 6 | 100 | --- | --- | --- |
| Idaho | 5 | 2 | 40 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Wyo. | 3 | 3 | 100 | --- | --- | --- |
| Colo. | 8 | 11 | 138 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| N.Mex. | 8 | 7 | 88 | --- | --- | --- |
| Ariz. | 6 | 6 | 100 | --- | --- | --- |
| Utah | 11 | 15 | 136 | 15 | 11 | 73 |
| Nev. | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wash. | 74 | 73 | 99 | 16 | 10 | 62 |
| Oreg. | 195 | 177 | 91 | 21 | 22 | 105 |
| Calif. | 614 | 647 | 105 | 60 | 47 | 78 |
| West. | 930 | 947 | 102 | 114 | 92 | 81 |
| U.S. | 2,723 | 2,851 | 105 | 698 | 583 | 84 |